



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Hamrin *et al.*

Appl. No.: 10/726,586

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For: **Method and Apparatus for
Indirect Catalytic Combustor
Preheating**

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Art Unit: 3746

Examiner: Charles G. Freay

Atty. Docket: 2066.0230004

Reply to Requirement For Election of Species

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated June 29, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Set 1, Species 1 (Fig. 3) and Set 2, Species 1. Claims 1-7 and 14-20 read on the elected Species.

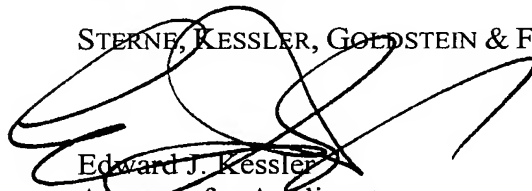
This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed.

Applicants assert the right to claim additional species in the event that a generic claim thereto is found to be allowable in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.141(a). This election is made **without traverse**. Consideration and allowance of all pending claims, are respectfully requested.

It is believed that extensions of time are not required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. J. Kessler', is written over the printed name and title.

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